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| CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA) REQUEST TRANSMITTAL (Small Entity) Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing. (Only for Continuation or Divisional Applications Under 37 CFR 1.53(d)) | | | | Docket No. | |
| First Named Inventor | | Examiner | | Group/Art Unit | |
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| Address to: Mail Stop CPA Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 | | | | | |
| This is a request for filing a <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> continuation or <input type="checkbox"/> divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(d), (continued prosecution application (CPA)) of prior application number <u>09/429,939</u> filed on <u>10/29/99</u> and entitled: WATER FREEZE CONTROL FOR HOT TUB SPA | | | | | |
| 1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on <u>02/10/2004</u> under 37 CFR 1.116 in the prior nonprovisional application. | | | | | |
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| Total Claims | 13 | - 20 = | 0 | x \$9.00 | \$0.00 |
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8. ☒ A check in the amount of \$440.00 is enclosed.

9. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is enclosed:

- a. ☐ PTO-1449
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FILING QUALIFICATIONS: The prior application must be a nonprovisional application that is either: (1) complete as defined by 37 C.F.R. 1.51(b), or (2) the national stage of an international application in compliance with 35 U.S.C. 371. A Notice will be placed on a patent issuing from a CPA, except for reissues and designs, to the effect that the patent issued on a CPA and is subject to the twenty-year patent term provisions of 35 U.S.C. 154(a)(2). Therefore, the prior application of a CPA may have been filed before, on or after June 8, 1995.

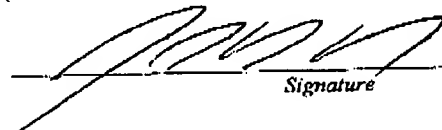
CH-P NOT PERMITTED: A continuation-in-part application cannot be filed as a CPA under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(d), but must be filed under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b).

EXPRESS ABANDONMENT OF PRIOR APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA is a request to expressly abandon the prior application as of the filing date of the request for a CPA. 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) must be used to file a continuation, divisional or continuation-in-part of an application that is not to be abandoned.

ACCESS TO PRIOR APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA will be construed to include a waiver of confidentiality by the Applicant under 35 U.S.C. 122 to the extent that any member of the public who is entitled under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.14 to access to copies of, or information concerning, the prior application may be given similar access to copies of, or similar information concerning, the other application or application in the file jacket.

35 U.S.C. 120 STATEMENT: In a CPA, no reference to the prior application is needed in the first sentence of the specification and none should be submitted. If a sentence referencing the prior application is submitted, it will not be entered. A request for a CPA is the specific reference required by 35 U.S.C. 120 and to every application assigned the application number identified in such request, 37 C.F.R. 1.78(a).

Dated: 04/08/2004


Signature

John R. Ross, III

Typed or printed name

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Registration Number (if applicable)

- ☐ Inventor(s)
☐ Assignee of complete interest
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)
(Small Entity)**

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Serial No.: 09/429,939
Filed: 10/29/99
Applicant: Authier
For: WATER FREEZE CONTROL FOR HOT TUB SPA

Examiner: Prunner, K.
Group Art: 3751

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This is petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of 10/10/2003 in the above-identified application.

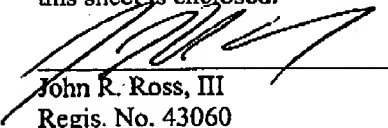
The requested extension is for three months from 01/10/2004 to 04/12/2004. The fee for a 3 month extension of time is \$475.00. A petition for a 1 month extension of time with \$55 fee was already filed on 2/10/2004. Therefore, the total fee owed is \$475.00 - \$55.00 = \$420.00.

The fee for the amendment and extension of time has been calculated as shown below:

The fee for the amendment and extension of time is to be paid as follows:

- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 200678.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 200678:
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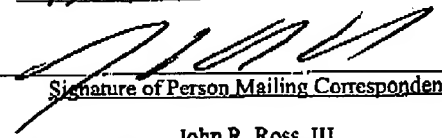
If any additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees that may be required to Deposit Account No. 200678. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.


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